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In response to the restriction requirement mailed May 23, 2000, Applicant hereby provisionally elects the Group I Claims (claims 1-5 and 8-17), with traverse.

The Examiner is requested to reconsider his restriction requirement since the Preliminary Examination Authority did not raise a unity of invention problem and, furthermore, maintaining both groups of claims in this application would not impose an undue burden on the Examiner (see, e.g., MPEP § 803).



avorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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